

Appl. No. 09/560,715
Amdt. dated August 31, 2004
Response to Notice of Allowance July 29, 2004

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 11, 13-31, 76, 78, 79, 81-85, 94-100 and 102 are allowed. Claim 98 has been amendment to restore multiple dependency to claims 1-4, 6, 8, 11, 13-31, 76, 78, 79, 81-85, and 94-97. Support for this amendment can be found, for example, at page 15, lines 10-11 and line 32. No new matter has been entered.

The cancellation of the multiple dependency of recited in claim 98 arose from a telephone conversation between the undersigned and the Examiner. The Examiner noted that the claim included dependency to previously cancelled claims. Claim 98 was then inadvertently amended to cancel all multiple dependency and to depend from claim 1 only. Applicants seek to restore the multiple dependency, corrected to no longer reference cancelled claims.

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested since it merely cures a formal defect in one of the claims and does not touch the merits of the prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,


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